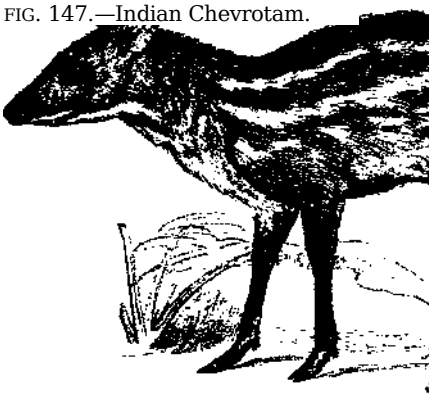
Fam. **4. Tra&ulidae.**—This family comprises a number c small Deer-like animals, which are really In many points mor related to the Pigs than to the true Beer. They are known a Cfaevrotains ; and the term "Beerlet/' introduced by Professo Garrod, Is certainly appropriate, since they have the aspect o very small and hornless Beer. If it were not for their Artio dactyle feet one might at a glance confuse these creatures wit] some Marsupial type. The family is Oriental and "West Africai in range. The two genera (whose individual peculiarities wil

FIG. 147.—Indian Chevrotam.



be considered later) differ from other Artiodactyles in a number of rather important characters.

They are absolutely hornless in both sexes. The canines are present In both jaws, and are especially well developed in the upper jaw. The dental formula is I % C ^ Pm -§- M f. In the skull the tympanic bulla is usually, as in the non-ruminating Artiodactyles, filled with loose bony tissue. The feet (usually)

have
the four toes of the Suina, and are therefore in a more primi-
tive condition than in Beer and Antelopes. But as the middle
metacarpals are fused In *TraguLus* (though separate in *Hyomoschus)*
they are a stage further than are the Pigs, in the direction of the
typical Hmmiiiamts.

The atonacii is comparatively simple, thus offering inter-